

IN THE CLAIMS

1. (Currently Amended) A system comprising:

a third party originator to send a notification [[/]] message of a multimedia message to a recipient without the use of a multi-media messaging service center (MMSC); and

a message handler to manage a response sent by the recipient to the MMSC, wherein the message handler comprises a proxy server to redirect responses sent by the recipient to the MMSC; and wherein the proxy server comprises:

a message ID recognition logic to identify notifications [[/]] messages originating from the third party originator; and

a message screener to screen a responses directed to the MMSC by the recipient, and identify responses sent in response to the third party originator.

Claims 2, 3 (Cancelled)

4. (Original) The system of claim 1 3, wherein the proxy server further comprises:

a message forwarder to forward the responses directed to the MMSC by the recipient in response to the third party originator.

Claims 5-8 (Cancelled)

9. (Currently Amended) A system comprising:

a ~~third-party~~ message originator to send a notification ~~[[/]]~~ message including retrieving information of a multimedia message directly to a recipient's device without the use of a multi-media messaging service center (MMSC); and
a message handler to manage a response sent by the recipient's device to the MMSC, wherein the message handler comprises ~~[[.]]~~ a message redirector resident on a the recipient's device, the message redirector identifying the header of the responses sent in response to a third-party originated message to determine that the response is for the originator in response to the notification message, and redirecting the responses to the ~~third-party~~ originator.

10. (Currently Amended) A system comprising:

a message handler to ensure that a response directed to multi-media messaging service center (MMSC) in response to a notification ~~[[/]]~~ message sent by a third party originator directly to a recipient are managed without triggering an error messages in the MMSC, wherein the message handler comprises a proxy server to redirect responses sent by the recipient to the MMSC; and wherein the proxy server comprises:

a message ID recognition logic to identify a header of the notification ~~[[s/]]~~ messages originating from the third party originator; and

a message screener to screen the responses directed to the MMSC by the recipient, and identify responses sent in response to the third party originator.

Claims 11-17 (Cancelled)